

NEGRO WELFARE LEAGUE  
OF  
NEW JERSEY

May 3, 1917

The thirteenth meeting of the Friendly Visitors Committee was held on the above date. In the absence of Mrs. Green Miss Pendleton presided.

Present: Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Howard Hilton, Mrs. Marquis, Mr. C.M. Brown, Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Burleigh, Rev. T.R. Redd, Miss Robinson, Mrs. R.D. Brown, Miss Christmas, Mrs. Monroe, Mrs. Douglas, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Baxter, Mrs. Leghorn, Miss Pendleton and Miss Conley. REACE: Miss Robinson reports goods have not been weighed yet. Rooms woman expected to move into have been rented to someone else. Soon as suitable rooms can be found she will move. Miss Robinson thinks the children are going backward from their present way of living. WENDHEIM: Mrs. Brown reports woman is contented with rooms now after seeing other homes. Mrs. Brown is helping her to get little boy in kindergarten. JOHNSON: Miss Christmas still looking for better room. It will not be possible to live where they are in the summer.

LOWE: Mrs. Wilson not present. Miss Conley reports woman's relative, Lewis McClennen applied to Mrs. Campbell on Van Ness Place for garden work in the neighborhood he received a promise of eight places to cut grass. KOONCE: Miss Stratton not present. No report. WILVER: Mrs. Stratton not present. No report. WILLIAMS: GRANT: Rev. T.R. Redd reports he seems man on the street but he has not yet been to church. ARTIS: Mrs. Brooks reports man has been ill for a couple of months. Has used what money he had. Wife has not been able to earn any because she had to care for him. Miss Conley is to call. WARD: Mrs. Scott reports woman was operated on. Has had a relapse, now seriously ill. MC CLENDON: Rev. T.R. Redd reports receiving letter from man's wife telling of his safe arrival home and thanking those who were kind to him. He will answer the letter. SPENCER: Mrs. Edsall reports Dr. Brotman is interested in the family. All the children are improved in health. Man is working, driving. Need the oversight of a friendly visitor. Consult Mrs. Street about church. VANDERVEER: Mrs. Richardson not present. No report. CHENE: Mrs. Brown reports woman has received letter from husband. Mrs. Colby has consulted lawyers in Bethman. It has been decided not to let case come to trial but compromise and settle for from \$500 to \$700. Suggested that Rev. Redd

see Mr. Epps and start the interest of the people and raise the money through the church.

COA: Summer Ave. Mrs. Richardson not present. No report.

MURRAY: Mrs. Monroe reports family has moved. Could not get present address as the Murray family in Orange St. were not at home. Other families in the home appeared to be doing well.

LOVETT: Mrs. Francisco not present. No report.

PATTERSON: Ada, Mrs. Francisco not present. No report.

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SPRADLEY: Mrs. Douglas reports woman not well. Suggested nurse to consult to make arrangements for confinement.

Mrs. Douglas will call on Sunday when man is at home.

GREEN: Miss Robinson reports grandmother died last Sunday and body was sent home as it was her request. A cousin has come to live with family.

STIMONS: Miss Conley reports living in three unseizable rooms, anxious to move. Need a friendly visitor.

KNIGHT and Williams: Mrs. Moran reports over the phone she was very favorably impressed with both women, thinks before long they might be useful to the league. Mr. Knight asks help in tracing household goods sent by freight in January. They are anxious to move to better rooms. Mrs. Moran will tell them of Dr. Eggleston's house.

FLANNING: Mrs. Moran reports woman has been ill. Will move this week to corner Springfield Ave. and Howard St. Man is working in Arlington. She will suggest their moving out that way.

GOODWIN: Mr. Brown reports man did about \$16.00 worth of work for some one and was only paid \$8.00. He sent him to Legal Aid Society. Miss Conley to see Legal Aid about case.

Mrs. Burleigh reports making many visits.

Mrs. Scott reports a fine meeting at Rev. Benfield's Mission.

Mrs. Douglas suggested a committee be formed to help families buy furniture, that they will not become victims of installment houses and dishonest second hand dealers. Mrs. Douglas was asked to be chairman of such a committee and appointed committee.

Arrangements for Mass Meetings to be continued on the minutes.

Miss Christmas will visit Morris and Gardner families, 50 Oliver St. Mrs. Milton will visit Walker and Brown families, 398 N. 5th St. Mrs. Marquis will visit Garbert

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family, 30 Sussex Ave, and Bathis, 70 Sussex Ave. Mrs.  
Menree will visit Simmons, 21 Rutgers St.